



MAYOR AND COUNCIL AGENDA

NO. 2

DEPT.: / City Clerk's Office

DATE: December 7, 2004

ACTION:

Presentation of Certificate of Appreciation to Barry Klein,
Chair of the City's Bicycle Advisory Committee from 1998
to 2004

ACTION STATUS:

FOR THE MEETING OF: 12/13/04

INTRODUCED

PUB. HEARING

INSTRUCTIONS

APPROVED

EFFECTIVE

ROCKVILLE CITY CODE,

CHAPTER

SECTION

☐ CONSENT AGENDA

RECOMMENDATION: Present certificate

IMPACT: ☐ Environmental ☐ Fiscal ☐ Neighborhood ☐ Other:

BACKGROUND: During Mr. Klein's tenure, the Bicycle Advisory Committee was instrumental in assisting the City with the development of bike paths and bike lanes throughout the City as well as the promotion of programs to support and facilitate the safe and enjoyable activity of bike-riding.

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12/7/04
Date

LIST OF ATTACHMENTS: List of the accomplishments of the Bicycle Advisory Committee and staff of the Department of Recreation and Parks Department; Copy of Certificate

Background for Barry Klein

- Assisted in the development of a 10-mile, off-road, multi-use path (the Millennium Trail) that serves as a "Beltway" around Rockville.
- 3 miles of bike lanes
- 24.9 miles of bike paths and trails
- 55.8 miles of signed bike routes
- Installation of bike parking facilities at all community centers, schools, city facilities, town center and all parks in the city.
- City of Rockville Bicycle/Pedestrian Safety Education Program was taught in nine elementary schools and 10 summer camp programs with over 6,000 children having received the training (2 hours of training per child). Further, over 350 children were taught how to ride a bike for the first time.
- Initiated a program to position six, fully outfitted bicycle repair toolboxes at six separate locations throughout the city (with the intent to provide a convenient, no-cost, self-service bicycle repair alternative for residents).
- Initiated development of the City of Rockville "Green Bike" program for city employees (whereby loaner bicycles, locks and helmets are made available for short trips or recreation during the work day).
- Refurbished and donated 20, adult-sized bicycles, helmets, locks, maps, and other related items to two Adult Transitional Housing/Permanent Housing Shelters.
- Collected over 300 donated bicycles and distributed approximately 200 of these to needy residents.
- Annually sponsor a number of bicyclist "pit stops" in support of the region-wide "Bike to Work" effort.
- Developed the "ROCKVILLE BIKEWAY MAP" to inform the public of the numerous non-motorized route alternatives into, out of, and within the city.
- Designed signage for installation along the entire route of the Rockville Bikeway (citing present location, directions to destinations, distances, and other information).
- Collaborated with city residents, city staff, and various community liaisons on issues concerning pedestrian/bicycle safety education, bike recycling/donations, and public outreach.
- Coordinated and convened dozens of Citizen Bikeway Advisory Committee meetings.
- Hosted the annual "Ride for Rockville" 20-mile ride each May.
- Broadcasted numerous pedestrian and bicycle safety awareness public service announcements were on a rotating basis via Rockville's Cable Channel 11.
- Developed and instituted a safe bicycling curriculum (package) for senior citizens (entitled, "You're Always Young Enough: Cycling for Seniors").